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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 35, line 22 through page 36, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph as follows:

The foregoing description excludes differences except for those in the configuration of the controller between the storage 1 and heterogeneous storage 500. For example, the storage 1 may employ high performance disks 17xx each having an FC interface, while the heterogeneous storage 500 may employ inexpensive disks 5170x each having an ATA interface, such that the high performance FC disks may be utilized in a period in which rewrites are frequently performed from the establishment of a file system, while the low-cost AA-ATA disks may be utilized in a period in which the storage is a main purpose. The resulting storage system provides high cost performance through such purpose use. This is particularly effective in building a storage system which employs low-cost ATA disks for archiving data over time. The storage system can be adapted to a variety of applications such as a backup of a file system, archiving of E-mails, archiving of logs, archiving of monitoring images, and the like, thus presenting an extremely high utility value. —